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Re: Petitions for Agency Reconsideration and Stay  
Arkansas Regional Haze

Dear Mr. Bronni, Ms. Ewing, Mr. Bumpers, Ms. Jezouit, Ms. Mallick, Ms. Loiacano, and Mr. Wood:

This letter concerns petitions from the State of Arkansas, dated November 22, 2016, from Entergy, dated November 23, 2016, from Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation (AECC), dated November 23, 2016, and from Energy Environmental Alliance of Arkansas (EEAA), dated November 28, 2016, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requesting reconsideration and an administrative stay of provisions of EPA's final rule entitled "Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Arkansas; Regional Haze and Interstate Visibility Transport Federal Implementation Plan," 81 FR 66332 (September 7, 2016), pursuant to section 307(d)(7)(B) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) and section 705 of the Administrative Procedure Act.

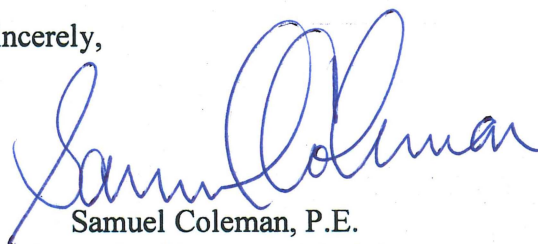
On March 1, 2017, the EPA issued a letter advising that it intends to issue a Federal Register notice granting reconsideration on certain issues and to stay for 90 days the particular rule provisions that it is reconsidering, as listed in the previous letter. Please be advised that through the reconsideration process, EPA intends to propose to either: (1) extend the compliance deadlines being reconsidered by at least 90 days, or (2) account for another alternative proposal. EPA does not intend to propose any alternative that would result in an extension of the compliance deadlines being reconsidered by any period less than 90 days.

Please also be advised that any communications regarding the litigation or any issues under discussion related to the litigation must involve Department of Justice counsel. Please direct such inquiries to Samara Spence at (202) 514-2285.



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Sincerely,



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